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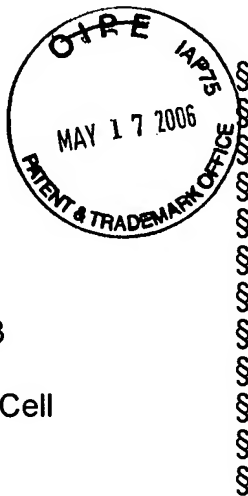
In re Application of:
Donoso, et al.

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For: Spin Rinse Dry Cell



Group Art Unit: 1746

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to continued examination, please amend the application as set forth herein. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/APPM/008260/BTP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.